RESOLUTION NO.

WHEREAS, the City of Austin and the State Legislature established 35 Capitol View Corridors protecting views from various notable landmarks and preserving the views of the Capitol for residents in all directions; and

WHEREAS, the Capitol View Corridors have protected the views of the Capitol for more than 25 years and have worked to balance Austin's demonstrated love of their Capitol with encouragement of downtown growth and density; and

WHEREAS, the City of Austin respects the responsibility of being the seat of state government and hosting the historic Capitol building and, with that privilege, recognizes the responsibility of preserving views of the structure for all Texans; and

WHEREAS, Capitol View Corridors, including CVC #3 that protects the views from the historic Wooldridge Park, are protected by state law and modifications to such corridors are outside the jurisdictional authority of the City of Austin; and

WHEREAS, on March 12, 2009, the City Council voted to appropriate \$841,860 for Phase II of the Downtown Plan; and

WHEREAS, the City of Austin is committed to using all available resources responsibly and as efficiently as possible; and

WHEREAS, this need for responsibility in defining the formal scope of work for the Downtown Plan consultants will not limit the ability of the public to discuss any issue that shapes the growth, development, and preservation of downtown; **NOW**, **THEREFORE**,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF AUSTIN:

The City Manager is directed to redefine the scope of work for the ongoing Downtown Plan to exclude consideration of adjustments to the Capitol View Corridors.

ADOPTED: _____, 2009 ATTEST: _____

Shirley A. Gentry City Clerk